

**AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION**

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1 at line 3, please **insert** the following **heading**:

TITLE:

On page 1 at line 4, please **insert** the following **heading and paragraph**:

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS:

This application is the National Stage Entry of PCT/EP04/13846, filed 12/06/2004 and claims priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) to German Patent Application DE 103 56 588.4, filed 12/04/2003.

On page 1, please **amend** the **paragraph** on lines 5-6 as follows:

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION:**

Field of the Invention

The invention relates to a cutting head for an electric hair cutting machine—~~as generically defined by the preamble to claim 1.~~

On page 1 at line 8, please **insert** the following **subheading**:

Description of Related Art

On page 1 at line 27, please **insert** the following **heading**:

BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION:

On page 2, please **amend** the **heading** at line 15 as follows:

~~Shown are:~~ BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS:

On page 3 at line 18, please **insert** the following **heading**:

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION:

Please **amend** the **paragraph** beginning on page 6, line 21 as follows:

Fig. 11 shows a plan view on the cutting head 1 with the lower and upper shearing blades 2, 3 and the stationary eccentric part 42 removed, to make a spring 37 more clearly visible. The lever 33 for manually adjusting the cutting blade 5 has been shown in dashed lines. The cutting blade 5 is guided by a parallel guide 36 by means of the one-piece, U-shaped spring 37 by means of two legs 38, 39, and for this purpose the cutting blade 5 is provided with corresponding receptacles 40, 41 for the ends of the legs. The two bores 46, 47 serve to receive the angled ends of the legs 38, 39. The spring 37 is embedded in a carriage 48, so that the cutting blade 5 is capable of moving parallel. For displacing the carriage 48 by means of the eccentric 13, the carriage 48 has a sliding face ~~49, represented by dot-dashed lines~~, which corresponds to a plane face 50 (Fig. 4) of the lower shearing blade 2.

Please **amend** the **paragraph** beginning on page 7, line 5 as follows:

Fig. 12 shows a back view of the cutting head 1 of Fig. 11, and in this case two detent hooks ~~50, 51~~ 51, 52 can be seen, which are joined integrally to the carriage 48 of plastic and serve to lock to the hair cutting machine 4.

On page 9, please **delete line 11**, which reads:

49      Sliding face